

St. Martin in the Fields.

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30th of April, 1798.

AT a General Meeting of the Inhabitants, Householders of this Parish, assembled by public Advertisment, at the GREAT ROOM of the GLOBE TAVERN, this Day, it was unanimously Resolved, that the following Resolutions, as prepared by the Committee, be adopted.

That the Members of this Affociation be called

The St. Martin's Loyal Volunteers.

That this Affociation should comprehend a Military Armed Force, to act with Effect, under the Authority of Government; and also a Force, consisting of Persons acting as Special Constables, for the Preservation of the Peace throughout this Parish, and the City and Liberty of Westminster; and that the several Inhabitant Householders, their Sons, Brothers, or Nephews, inclined to co-operate in the proposed Measure may have an Opportunity of serving in the said Affociation, it is Resolved, that Three Books be prepared, one for the Signatures of those who shall wish to serve as an Armed Force; another for those who cannot, from Circumstances of Age or Infirmities, or any other Cause, enroll themselves to bear Arms, but are willing to enroll themselves in Aid of the Civil Power; and a Third Book for the Names of such Inhabitants as are desirous of contributing towards the Expence of such Force.

That each Member enrolling himself do subscribe the Sum of One Guinea, and that such Persons who shall enroll themselves, either as the Armed Part of this Affociation, or as Constables, shall, immediately after their first Meeting, provide themselves with Blue Lappelled Coats, Scarlet Collar, White Kerseymere Waistcoat and Breeches, with Gilt Buttons, engraved with the Figure of St. MARTIN, together with such Hat and Cockade as shall be agreed upon at their first Meeting, and Black Cloth Half Gaiters; that such Persons who do enroll themselves as the Armed Part, do provide themselves with ~~Bayonet~~ as a Bayonet, of the proper Size, Cartouch Box and Cross Belt, and that such Persons providing himself be allowed the Sum of Three Guineas out of the General Fund, and such Arms and Accoutrements be vested in the Treasurer, for the Time being, under the Management and Direction of the Committee.

That the Affociation shall continue without Officers until at least One Hundred and Twenty-Six shall be enrolled as Effective Men, in the Armed Part of the Affociation.

That as soon as such Members shall be so enrolled, a Special Meeting of them shall be convened, of which, Three Days Notice to each Person shall be given by the Secretary for the Election of Officers.

That at such special Meeting, the Officers consisting of a Captain, Lieutenant, and Sub-Lieutenant to each Sixty Privates, be ballotted for.

That the Officers so balloted for, and accepting the Nomination, be recommended to the Lord Lieutenant for his Approbation, with a request that they may receive Commissions from His Majesty.

And, That the Two Books for enrolling the Names of Persons willing to serve, either in the Armed Force, or in Aid of the Civil Power, be left at the Committee Room of the CHARITY SCHOOL in Hemming's Row.

And, That the Book to receive the Subscription of the Inhabitants, be left at Messrs. DRUMMONDS, Charing Cross, where the Sums already subscribed, and which may be subscribed, are requested to be paid to the Account of the Treasurer of this Affociation, for which Receipts will be given.

That the present Committee be continued for carrying on the Business of the Affociation.

That no Person be admitted at the next General Meeting, or any other, except such who have paid in their Subscriptions, or who have enrolled themselves in the Armed Affociation, or as Constables in the Civil Department.

That this Meeting be adjourned to Monday, the 7th of May next, at this Place, at One o'Clock precisely.

A. DRUMMOND,
Chairman.

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